

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraphs [0008.61] and [0008.62] with the following two paragraphs.

[0008.61] In a further aspect of the present invention, this is accomplished by providing a method of reciprocating a slidable room mounted in a vehicle between a retracted position and an extended position, a plurality of flexible drive members being fixedly attached to sides of the slidable room, the method comprising: pulling on a first set of the flexible drive members while simultaneously ~~slackening-reversing~~ a second set of the flexible drive members to move the slidable room from the retracted position to the extended position; and pulling on the second set of the flexible drive members while simultaneously ~~slackening-reversing~~ the first set of the flexible drive members to move the slidable room from the extended position to the retracted position.

[0008.62] In another aspect of the present invention, this is accomplished by providing a method of reciprocating a slidable room mounted in a vehicle between a retracted position and an extended position, a plurality of pairs of flexible members being attached to the slidable room, each pair of flexible members comprising a short flexible member and a long flexible member, the method comprising: pulling on two first pairs of flexible members while simultaneously ~~slackening-reversing~~ two second pairs of flexible members to move the slidable room from the retracted position to the extended position; and pulling on the two second pairs of flexible members while simultaneously ~~slackening-reversing~~ the two first pairs of flexible members to move the slidable room from the retracted position to the extended position.

Please replace paragraph [0050] with the following paragraph.

[0050] Sprocket 70 may be located in a lower portion of slideout unit 24, just above the floor 40 and just behind the forward or outside wall 48 of the slideout unit, as best seen in FIGS. 7 and 9. Sprocket 70 is mounted on a shaft 72 for rotation therewith, which may be a drive shaft. Shaft 72 extends along a center axis Y (see FIG. 4) of slideout unit 24, midway between side walls 44 and 46. Shaft 72 may be a drive shaft of an electric motor 73, which (when present) may be mounted just above ~~floor 70~~ floor 40 of the slideout unit 24, close to outside wall 48.

Alternatively, a portable motor (which is connected to drive shaft 72 only when the slideout unit 24 is to be moved), a hand crank (which may be connected to drive shaft 72), or manual power

(applied through handles 50) may be used instead of electric motor 73. Whatever form of power input is used, it is advisable to lock the slideout unit in place when it is not in motion. A worm drive is one means (and a preferred means) for accomplishing this. The worm drive performs a locking function when the slideout unit 24 is at rest, locking the slideout unit 24 in place (in the closed position when fully retracted, for example), so that lock 52 is not necessary. With other drive mechanisms, locking means (e.g., a cam lock, or clamp in the walls of slideout unit 24) must be used to retain the slideout unit 24 in position.

Please paragraph [0056] with the following paragraph.

[0056] Sheaves 100 may be of conventional structure, each comprising a groove for receiving a cable portion 66 of cable 62 or 64. Sheaves 100 are arranged in two sets 102 and 104. A first set 102 disposed along a first or left (or rearward) side 44 of slideout unit 24, defines (together with sprocket 70) a path for the first cable 62. A second set ~~104~~ 104, disposed along a second or right side 46 of slideout unit 24, defines (together with sprocket 70) a path for the second cable 64.